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Atwood is to have a Democratic newspaper.

The Solomon is about to be bridged at Stockton.

F. H. BARNHART, the old journalistic wheelhorse of Osborne, has sold the Farmer to S. E. Ruede.

JAMES NOLAN, of Ellis, we see by the Headlight, has been appointed a cadet to the West Point military academy.

THE regular annual meeting of Western Central Kansas Stock association will be held at Sidney, Ness county, on the 10th inst.

OUR own Thomas A. Osborn will have to come home. Cleveland has appointed Thos. Jarvis, of North Carolina, minister extraordinary and minister plenipotentiary to Brazil.

RUSSIAN mulberry trees, some persist in telling us, are just too hard to be killed even by the climate of western Kansas. When new comers begin to set these trees in sod this season, these theorists will fairly be crushed out of their wits.

THE excess of value of the exports over imports for the month ending February 28, 1885, was \$11,935,741; for twelve months ending with the same date, \$144,142,240. From the Republican standpoint, this is one indication of prosperous times in this country.

MR. PRATT, of the Reveille, down at Jetmore, impresses us as being a rather solid man. He utters some things that are not so solid. For instance, he says, "In advancing the stock-farm idea as the proper industry for this meridian, the Reveille, though leading, is not alone." * * * And recently the WA-KEENEY WORLD has devoted considerable space to the stock-farm interest. We understand that Brother Tilton has ordered a new head for his paper illustrative of the idea. To all of which we wish to say to friend Pratt: The WORLD formulated the stock-farm theory for this section of Kansas two years before the Reveille was born; that is to say, five years ago.

WE had intended to desist from producing any of the various press notices which were accorded to our recently-crippled fingers. However, in order to place ourselves squarely before the public as an endorser of the Phillipsburg Herald's idea in the premises, we must depart from our own rule in this one instance. We are able to say now, furthermore, that that relentless job-press impression has not weakened even an iota our faith in the "power of the press." But to what the Herald says: "W. S. Tilton, of the WA-KEENEY WORLD, had the misfortune to get his fingers injured in a job press. It seems to us that brother Tilton has had experience enough so that he might have known 'the power of the press,' without making a practical demonstration of himself."

SENATOR BERRY.

Some men rise from remarkably obscure positions to seats of great honor and usefulness. We care nothing for the scouting at the theory, for it is a solemn fact that circumstances have more to do with these rises than brains have. James H. Berry, who has been elected Garfield's successor for Arkansas in the U. S. senate, was a mere boy during the war, with no bright prospects for life. At the battle of Iuka—we think it was—he lost one of his rebel legs. He was ambitious, studied law after the war, and traveled, with fair success, for some years, the northwestern judicial circuit of Arkansas as a lawyer. In 1878 he was elected judge of the circuit over Judge Pitman, who had ministered to his wants when Berry was so desperately wounded. In 1882 Berry was elected governor of his state. Last year he was not a candidate for re-election. In the election of a United States senator in that state, in January last, to succeed Senator Walker, Berry was defeated by a small majority by James R. Jones, a member of the lower house of congress. Senator Berry has ability, but Kansas is fairly running over with public men who have more. He is an effective stump speaker, and will probably make his presence felt in national politics.

YES, WE WANT PEACE!

The people of one township in Graham county, irrespective of party, in public meeting assembled, have endorsed the official career of A. L. Patchin as register of the land office at Oberlin, and ask his retention in his present position. This is a deserved tribute to a faithful, competent officer, and if civil service means anything with the new administration, Mr. Patchin will remain in office until the expiration of his term at least.—[Atwood Citizen.]

Greason, if you are as good a friend as we have, the WORLD is ashamed of you. Now, you are a Republican. We know this. You are a Republican for the same reason that we are—physically, constitutionally so. Both of us certainly want to see Republican national success in the campaign of 1888. With a lot of lame-duck Republicans to carry, who had held office under Cleveland, would not our chances be bright, indeed! No, sir! Let the Democrats become responsible for their administration. Permit the existence of no such menaces to Republican success as existed in Kansas last fall on account of the Democratic crumbs which Glick had thrown to so-called Republicans in Kansas. We prefer the success of the Republican cause in 1888 to the triumph of civil service reform from a Democratic standpoint. You will, too, when you regain possession of your real Republican judgment. You know that being awed into political silence will be the very least penalty attached to the retention of a Republican office holder by Cleveland. Cleveland himself has given utterance to the fact. We are an advocate of peace, but do not want to be stifled by the sultriness of such a peace as some Republican office holders seem disposed to sue for.

ALL grain, flour and meats are to be admitted into ports of Sweden free of duty. This makes it nice for nations whose commercial life consists in their export trade.

AFTER all, no final action was taken by congress, at its last session to change or repeal in any respect the pre-emption or timber-culture law.

Who Got the Certificates.

WA-KEENEY, March 27, 1885.
To the Editor of the World:
The following teachers and others passed successful examinations at the teachers' examination held to-day:
G. W. Combs, Ogallah, 1st grade; Belle Ridgway, Ogallah, 2nd grade; Berenice Yetter, Ogallah, 3rd grade; Michael McKenna, Mendota, Ellis county, 3rd grade; Lulu McFarland, Wa-Keeney, 3rd grade.
The thanks of the board of examination are due to the gentlemanly school board of Wa-Keeney, for the use of the intermediate school room during examination. The next examination will be held in April under the provisions of the new law.
BEN C. RICH,
Co. Supt. of Schools.

Dr. Shady on Gen. Grant.

WORLD readers will remember vividly our recent account of the loss of a hand by a young man named Shady as the result of an accidental discharge of a shotgun. It was mentioned in that report that the unfortunate young man was a son of Dr. Shady, of New York city. Dr. Shady's name is thus mentioned in a New York dispatch of last Monday:
Dr. Shady, consulting physician, thinks General Grant might rally from his present attack and live some time, as the recent disturbance was the result of trouble in the head, and not from an aggravated form of disease.

Public Sheep Shearing.

To the Editor of the World:
The third annual sheep shearing of the Western Kansas Wool Growers' association will be held at Wa-Keeney, Kan., April 21 and 22.
Prizes will be awarded to shearers in competition.
All are cordially invited. A good show of sheep is expected.
It is to be hoped that no sheep men will intrude with "fixed" sheep.
CHAS. H. GIBBS, Pres't.
J. M. OSTRANDER, Sec'y.

\$7,665 Saved as Interest.

Topeka Daily Capital, Tuesday.
The treasurer of Trego county was at the last session of the legislature allowed to refund the bonded indebtedness of that county, and yesterday paid into the state treasury money for fourteen \$500 bonds, which were due July 1, 1903. This saves this county \$7,665 as interest.

The Best Lands in the County.

Ellis Headlight, March 31.

County Treasurer Kelly, of Trego county, has about 7,000 acres of school lands advertised to be sold during the month of April, and not an acre appraised at over \$3.00 per acre. This is the second sale in that county, about the same amount being sold in March. A large part of these lands are indemnity lands, and therefore the best lands in the county.

Characteristic Ed.

Our old settlers generally will remember, with a flaming vividness, as it were, Ed. R. Smith, Gov. St. John's commissioner to distribute aid to the needy of this section in the winter of 1880-81. The writer had known Ed. years and years before that. He is what might be called, in western parlance, a characteristic cuss—Ed. is. The citizens of his township in Linn county elected him justice of the peace last month. What else did Ed. do but go to Chief Justice Horvot, of our supreme court, to be sworn in? This was just what he is reported by the La-Cygne Journal as having done. To carry out the idea at greater length, the supreme judges then asked Ed. to sit with them as one of the court. True to his part, Ed. gravely informed them that he could not consent to do so, except in cases of extreme importance.
Gov. Martin, we are glad to record, has appointed Ed. one of the three members of the state reformatory institution whose creation was effected by the present legislature.

The School Exhibition.

To the Editor of the World:
As a whole, the school exhibition was highly creditable to all concerned. The audience was beyond all expectation for the evening. The sudden change from a calm, delightful spring day, to an angry, howling winter's storm, cast no little discouragement upon the schools. But Wa-Keeney never fails of being present to encourage a deserving enterprise. It is not our purpose to notice in detail the exercises of the evening, but to express our preferences. This, too, not to insinuate demerit of any one not mentioned, but to express pleasure at what was really a triumphant success, achieved through persistent effort. The exercises demonstrated the capability of every participant for a high degree of memory and personation. The class of little girls in the concert recitation, "Bees, Clocks and Brooms," is entitled to rank first in the juvenile part of the program. Their self possession, animation, action and delivery was a perfect charm, only equalled by the beauty of their bright, beaming, happy faces. In the "Alphabetical Roundelay," all deserve creditable mention, but especially Clyde Snyder, the beautiful queen. There are few children who could excel the ease and grace of Clyde. An angel's harp would scarcely rival the sweetness of Clyde's voice. "Behind the Scenes" was well presented by Misses Ruth Welch, Florence Lossing, Nettie Beem and Maud Frick and Master Lemmie Smith. The recitations of Misses Jessie Welch and May Bartlett were well delivered and well received. "Our Centennial" is a grand conception. The Genius of Universal Peace, personated by Miss Bertha Rogers, was the central character and ruling spirit among the nations. "The Army and Navy" is a beautifully patriotic piece, especially pleasing, because it exhibits our majestic sisterhood of states arrayed in common cause beneath the silken skies of one flag, the red, white and blue. "The Two Ghosts in White" was so completely rendered that all participants deserve creditable mention. In this performance there was the felicity, both of complete mastery of the respective parts and adaptation of character. If any praise is due more than others, Clara Bushman, Della Escher, Nora Gleason, Leta McFarland and Maggie Walker should receive mention. "A Lesson Well Worth Learning" was highly entertaining. Misses May Bartlett and Jessie Welch and Master Claude Henkel sustained their respective parts well. Jay Carson, in the role of a French servant, made a new venture on short notice, but achieved creditable success for a lad of twelve years. The closing piece, "Stage Struck," executed by Misses Lo Welch and Nora Gleason and Masters Claude Henkel and Walter Carson, was a capital climax to the three hours' program.

Transferred to Colorado.

We are sure that Ben Taylor's many friends among our readers will take pleasure in reading the following letter:
ROAD MASTER'S OFFICE,
DENVER DIVISION, March 29, 1885.
W. S. Tilton, Esq.,
DEAR SIR: Enclosed please find one dollar, for which enter my name on your list as a permanent subscriber to the WORLD. Having been removed from the 4th district to the 6th district of the Kansas division of the U. P. Ry., with headquarters at Hugo, Col., I feel lost without the Wa-Keeney WORLD, a copy of which Mr. McFarland handed me to-day. I can cheerfully acknowledge that it afforded me pleasure to read the news from Wa-Keeney, where I hope to some day make my permanent home.
Yours respectfully,
B. TAYLOR.

A Kick at the Reporters.

To the Editor of the World:
As yet, I have heard nothing said by any one with reference to the annual sheep shearing of the Wool Growers' and Sheep Breeders' association of Trego and adjoining counties.
Will you please give me space in your newly-clad WORLD to say to the officers of the association that I think the shearing would better not be later than the 20th of April. And I would further say, Come, let us make it all that the association proposes it to be, so that men having sheep to exhibit can do so without being misrepresented and abused by cheap newspaper reporters and inexperienced sheep breeders who know more about the inside workings of a telegraph office than they do about sheep husbandry.
T. W. MYLER.

South Graham Slices.

"Republican," writing from Elrich, Graham county, says:
Elrich is building a new school house. Settlers are coming fast. Farmers are busy putting in their crops. Every one appears to be happy.

COMPLIMENTS AND OTHER COMMENTS

From Esteemed Exchanges Concerning the "Western Kansas World."

AN AMBITION TO REACH OUT.

The WA-KEENEY WORLD has changed its head and enlarged to a six-column quarto. The WORLD is a good paper, with an ambition to reach out over more ground than it can conveniently cover.—[Oberlin Eye.]

KEEPING AHEAD OF THE TIMES.

The WA-KEENEY WORLD is changed to the WESTERN KANSAS WORLD, enlarged to a six column quarto and appears with an outside and an inside illustrated heading. Wa-Keeney is booming and Tilton is keeping ahead of the times.—[Stockton Record.]

THE SAME GUIDE.

The WA-KEENEY WORLD comes to us this week with a new form and a new head, but with the same man of brains to guide it in its orbit of progress. Henceforth it will be known as the WESTERN KANSAS WORLD, its size being the same as the Courier.—[Norfolk Courier.]

A NO. 1 PAPER.

The WA-KEENEY WORLD comes to us enlarged to a six column folio, and name changed to the WESTERN KANSAS WORLD, with a new head representing the industries of western Kansas. Its a daisy, and we congratulate Brother Tilton in being able to make the WORLD a No. 1 paper.—[Ellis Headlight.]

HUNT FOR WINGS.

Bro. Tilton's paper at Wa-Keeney has changed its head to read WESTERN KANSAS WORLD. This head is a bonnet over a Kansas landscape replete with all the industries of our prosperous state. The motto, "stock farming the basis of our industries." It is a quarto, half home print. Mr. Tilton is an editor. If any body wishes to praise him higher than we do, hunt for wings.—[Norfolk Courier.]

ONE OF THE ABLEST WEST OF TOPEKA.

There came to us from Wa-Keeney this week the WESTERN KANSAS WORLD, a six-column quarto, and a double header. We looked at the heading, and then at the date line, and saw that it was published at Wa-Keeney, and thought to ourselves, that is, we were going to think; but just then we espied the name of W. S. Tilton at the head of an inside column. Then we found that it was the WA-KEENEY WORLD sailing under a new name. The WESTERN KANSAS WORLD is one of the largest papers on our exchange list. It is not only one of the largest, but is one of the ablest edited papers west of Topeka, and W. S. Tilton thoroughly understands how to run a first-class newspaper.—[Hays City German American Advocate.]

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